

**SUGAR GROVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
TRUSTEE'S MEETING
OPEN MINUTES**

DATE: June 15, 2015
TIME: 7:00 pm
PLACE: Sugar Grove Fire Station

Board of Trustees: Mike Fagel, President
David Linden, Treasurer
Cheryl Wojciechowski, Secretary
David Blankenship, Trustee
Harry Davis, Trustee

GUESTS: Attorney Shawn Flaherty, Attorney Tim Hoppa

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call – All trustees present

Approval of Minutes-

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Blankenship to:
'Approve the May 18, 2015 open session meeting minutes'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Blankenship and seconded by Wojciechowski to:
'Approve the May 18, 2015 closed session meeting minutes and keep them closed'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Treasurers Report –

Operations Account – \$1,641,237.22, Construction Account - \$555,907.63, Total \$12,197,144.85
No budget amounts are listed, as budget has not yet been approved.

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Davis to:
'Accept the Budget Percentage Report and Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2015'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Expenditures –

Chase Checking - \$302,414.29, Chase HRA - \$2,878.75, Total expenditures \$305,293.04

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Blankenship to:
'Approve the Expenditures for May 2015 in the amount of \$305,293.04'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustees report –

Trustee Wojciechowski stated that this will be her last meeting, she is resigning from her position as Trustee.

Trustee Davis stated that the Aurora Mayor is looking to rejuvenate the airport – the mayor does not believe it is being utilized to its full potential.

Report from Chief and Command –

91 Calls this year, down from the 112 from last year.

Operations Report - will have both this and next months, next month; reason is transition from the old financial software to new one. Learning process, but feels it will be better suited for our needs.

Palmer Cup – we were involved in the EMS coverage – this will be billed back through Rich Harvest Farms.

American Heartland Bank – This account has been dormant for the last few years. Would like to transfer the money from that bank to Bank of Montgomery.

Attorney's report –

Property Tax Freeze – died on June 9.

Legislation on Rauner's desk, signed by both houses – will change 911 system. A statewide panel that will oversee all the dispatch in the state and will also be a big push to consolidate PSAPS.

Pension Hearing – after all evidence was received, board came back after second hearing on the 19th: outcome; pension was denied. A written response will be drawn up, reviewed and served. As of right now, no petition to return to work has been received.

Old Business –

TIF – Nothing to report.

Fee Ordinance for District – Still work in progress. This will come off the agenda until it has been drafted.

Post-Retirement Healthcare Funding Plan – issues to work out – will take off agenda for next few months.

New Business –

Resolution 2015-05 Prevailing Wages

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Davis to:

‘Approve Resolution 2015-05 – A Resolution Adopting Prevailing Wage Rates for Laborers, Mechanics and other Workers on Public Works of the Sugar Grove Fire Protection District’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

2015-2016 Budget - All line items have been changed, to make it easier to read and find budgeted items. Chief discussed that he did a detailed analysis of last year's budget, he is taking into account things that you don't see occurring, he felt that it was padded, and he does not think that was proper. Line items will have more detail, so you can see where money is coming in from and where it is being expended. More discussion took place on the budget.

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Blankenship to:

‘Go in to closed session at 7:44pm for discussion of 6-month review of closed session minutes and Pending Litigation.’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Davis to:

‘Go back in open session at 8:17pm’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motion by Fagel and seconded by Davis to:

‘Keep all closed minutes closed’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

None

Public to Address the Board

Attorney Flaherty stated that the board has 60 days to fill the vacant trustee position.

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Blankenship to:

“Adjourn at 8:19 pm”

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary, Sugar Grove Fire Protection District


Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary